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From the French *Camp at* Colorno, *July* 24. *N. S.*

THE 19th Inſtant, the Duke of *Vendoſme* went to *Caſtelvetro*, where the Forces which lately paſſed the *Po* at *Cremona* were encamped, and marched with them to *Corte-Maggiore*; The 20th he encamped at *San-Secondo*, on the River *Taro* near *Caſal-Maggiore*, whither our Bridge of Boats was brought down from *Cremona*, which was made ready the 21ſt. The King of *Spain* came away that day from *Cremona*, and arrived the 22d at *Caſal-Maggiore*, where he found the reſt of the Forces that were ordered to join the Army from the Camp of *Rivalta*. That day we received an Account, That Prince *Eugene* had withdrawn his Forces which were poſted along the River *Lenza*, and had cauſed his Bridge of Boats over that River to be broken down, and that he was encamped with the beſt part of his Army near the River *Croſtolo*; whereupon the Duke of *Vendoſme* paſſed over the River *Taro* with a Body of Horſe and Dragoons, and marched to *Colorno*, to ſecure the Stone Bridge there over the River *Parma*. The reſt of the Army followed in two Columns, one of which was to ford over the *Taro*, and the other was to paſs over a Bridge of Boats we had made on that River: But ſcarce 7 Battalions had paſſed over, when the River ſwelled ſo high, by reaſon of a great Rain that fell the night before, that it carried away our Bridge; however by the next day two other Bridges of Boats were prepared, over which the reſt of thoſe Forces marched, and they came up to our Camp; and then the Duke of *Vendoſme* went to *Caſal-Maggiore*, and directed the Forces which were there to paſs over the *Po*, and they came and encamped at *Sacco*, within 2 Miles of *Colorno*. The King of *Spain* remains at *Caſal-Maggiore* with the Gendarmerie, which attends him as a Guard, the Carabiniers, 2 Regiments of *Spaniſh* Horſe, and the Brigade of Marines. To morrow the Army will march in three Columns, and will paſs over the *Parma* upon the Stone Bridge above-mentioned, and upon 2 Bridges of Boats which we have lately made, and will encamp at *Sorbolo*, on the River *Lenza*, whither the King of *Spain* intends to come that day from *Caſal-Maggiore*. And the 26th we are to paſs over the *Lenza*, and to march to *Caſtelnovo*, near the River *Croſtolo*. We are told, that Prince *Eugene* has withdrawn his Forces which were encamped near *Berſello*, and has taken part of his Artillery out of that Place, leaving only a Gariſon of 1500 Men there, and but 10000 Men in his Camp near *Mantua*.

Vienna, *July* 26. New Levies are making with very good Succeſs in ſeveral parts of the Emperor's Hereditary Dominions, for recruiting and augmenting his Forces; And it is ſaid he intends to take into his Service ſeveral Regiments more of the Forces of ſuch Princes of the Empire as ſhall be willing to lend them, and to raiſe the Militia in his own Dominions, which amounts to 30000 Men, and employ them in gariſoning his fortified Places during the War.

From the Imperial Camp before Landau, *July* 31. The King of the *Romans* arrived here the 28th Inſtant from *Heydelberg*, and was entertained with a Diſcharge of 220 Cannon-ſhot and 237 Bombs againſt the Town of *Landau*, which did great execution there. Two new Batteries are raiſed againſt it, and all our other Works are carried on with the greateſt Diligence and Application. Laſt night a Party of about 50 Granadiers made a feint Attack upon the Citadel, in order to entice the *French* to deſtroy ſome of their own Mines, which had this Effect, that upon the Approach of our Men, the *French* who were upon the Counterſcarp retired and ſet fire to two Mines, but our Granadiers, inſtead of purſuing the Enemy, returned to their Trenches. We hope in few days to have prepared all Matters, ſo as to be able to make a general Attack upon the Counterſcarp

Hamburgh, *Auguſt* 4. Letters from *Cracow* of the 26th paſt ſay, the King of *Poland* continues encamped near that Place, having got ſome part of his Forces together again, and expected to be ſhortly joined by the 8000 *Saxons* from *Sileſia*. Theſe Letters add, That he did not loſe above 15 or 1600 Men in the late Engagement with the *Swedes*, and that Lieutenant-General *Tramp*, and ſeveral other Officers of Note, who were reported to have been killed, were come to *Cracow*. Some Deſerters from the *Swediſh* Army report, That the Duke of *Holſteyn Gottorp* had received a Wound in that Action, of which he is ſince dead; But this wants Confirmation.

From the Camp of the Allies at Peer, *Aug.* 7. On *Saturday* the 5th Inſtant the Army marched from *Petit-Brugel*, and encamped in this Place, having the River *Dommell* on our Right, *Erlicum* on our Left, and *Peer* in our Front, where moſt of the Generals have taken their Quarters. The Enemy have likewiſe removed their Camp from *Haſſelt*, and have now their head Quarters at *Bringen*, not far from *Dieſt*, on the *Demer*, having a ſmall Rivulet before them. Our Army will continue here ſome days, while the neceſſary Preparations are making for ſome Siege, which his Excellency the Earl of *Marlborough* is to cover with the main Army. In the mean time our Forces will be employed in dismantling *Peer* and *Brey*, two ſmall walled Towns that have been of great uſe to the Enemy, in ſecuring their Convoys. We ſhall likewiſe attack *Weert*, another walled Town lying between this Place and *Venlo*, where they have had a conſiderable Gariſon all this Summer, but have now quitted the Town, and left only 100 Men to defend the Caſtle. The Earl *Rivers* arrived here laſt *Thurſday* night from *Holland*, as Monſieur *d'Obdam*, General of Horſe in the Service of the States, and the Earl of *Albemarle*, did this day.

Paris, *Aug.* 5. A Courier arrived here the 3d Inſtant from the King of *Spain*'s Army in *Italy*, who brings an Account, That the 26th of the laſt Month it paſſed over the River *Lenza* in ſeveral Columns, and encamped at *Caſtel-Novo*; That the Duke of *Vendoſme* having Intelligence that General *Viſconti* was encamped at *Santa-Vittoria* with 3 Regiments of Horſe and 1 of Dragoons, marched from the Camp about 2 that afternoon with 25 Squadrons of Horſe and 14 Companies of Granadiers to attack them, but meeting with a more vigorous Reſiſtance than he expected, he ſent to the King of *Spain* for more Forces, who came with them himſelf, accompanied by all the Officers of Note that were left in the Camp, ſo that the *Germans* were at laſt forced to give way, and retired towards their main Army; That we had a great number of Officers and Soldiers killed and wounded in this Action, and among the laſt were the Marquis of *Ouartigni* and Mr. *Shelton*. The Enemy's Loſs is ſaid to be greater than ours, having left behind them many of their Men ſlain and taken Priſoners, in the number of which laſt is reckoned the Heer *Staremberg*, Lieutenant-Colonel of the Regiment of *Darmſtad*, and their Bagage: And that the Duke of *Vendoſme* left the Forces he firſt took with him, and 4 Brigades of Foot, near the Place where this Action happened, and returned with the King of *Spain* and the reſt of the Troops to the Army, which was to decamp the 27th, and to continue their March.

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